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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:

James CASTILLO

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Examiner: Kim, Vickie

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AMENDMENT A

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 23, 2001,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS (Clean Version)

Please replace Claims 4 and 5 to read as follows:

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1. The method according to claim 1, wherein said volatile solvent is an alcohol.

5. The method according to claim 1, wherein said volatile solvent is selected from the group consisting of isopropyl alcohol and denatured ethyl alcohol.

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration of the Office Action of November 23, 2001, is respectfully requested in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.